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**STATEMENT OF THE CHAIR AND CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE OFFICE OF
CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS REGARDING THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS
OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT'S REPORT ON OCE PROCEDURES**

We regret that the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct (SOOC) has again mischaracterized the Office of Congressional Ethics' (OCE) August 6th referral of the matter involving Representative Sam Graves. There were no procedural problems with the OCE's handling of the matter involving Representative Graves.

In every matter, including the review concerning Representative Graves, the OCE has followed its rules and the letter and spirit of the Resolution that created the OCE. We regret the Standards Committee's misunderstanding of our rules and our process.

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